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memory cells

(DRAMs)

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BASIC-ABSTRACT: NOVELTY - The invention makes use of the new

ability to form

thin films of tantalum pentoxide and silicon nitride with

electrode-limited

conduction and consistent film thickness and dielectric

properties. This

dielectric layer is used in combination with a silicon-germanium

charge storage

electrode to give a highly reliable storage capacitor.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A capacitor for a dynamic random access

memory cell

comprising first and second plates sandwiching a dielectric layer

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preferably tantalum pentoxide or silicon nitride or their combination or barium

titanate, which is dominated by electrode-limited conduction. At least one of

the electrode plates comprises a silicon-germanium layer as its charging surface.

USE - Capacitor for DRAMs and other memory devices.

ADVANTAGE - The capacitor has improved reliability.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a section of a DRAM array.

Silicon substrate 10

Field oxide 11

Diffusion region 12

Gate oxide 13

Gate conductor 14

Gate insulator 15

Conductive electrode 21

Dielectric layer 31

Top electrode 41

CHOSEN-DRAWING: Dwg.4/5

TITLE-TERMS:

FABRICATE CAPACITOR DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY CELL

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